32. (New) An intravascular guidewire, comprising:

an elongate shaft having a proximal portion and a distal portion, the proximal portion comprising a solid wire which tapers distally, the distal portion having a distal end portion including a radiopaque coil tip disposed at the distal end portion; and

a plurality of radiopaque markers disposed on the shaft proximal of the coil tip, the markers defining a plurality of longitudinal spaces therebetween, the markers being 1 mm wide.

33. (New) An intravascular guidewire, comprising:

an elongate shaft having a distal radiopaque tip; and

a plurality of radiopaque sections disposed on the shaft proximal of the tip, the radiopaque sections separated by a plurality of relatively non-radiopaque sections that are 1.5 cm wide.

34. (New) An intravascular guidewire, comprising:

an elongate shaft having a distal radiopaque tip; and

a plurality of radiopaque sections disposed on the shaft proximal of the tip, the radiopaque sections separated by a plurality of relatively non-radiopaque sections, the radiopaque sections being 1 mm wide.

35. (New) An intravascular guidewire, comprising:

an elongate shaft having a distal radiopaque tip; and

a plurality of longitudinally spaced radiopaque markers disposed on the shaft proximal of the tip, the markers defining a plurality of 1.5 cm longitudinal spaces therebetween.

36. (New) An intravascular guidewire, comprising:

an elongate shaft having a distal radiopaque tip; and

a plurality of longitudinally spaced radiopaque markers 1 mm wide disposed on the shaft proximal of the tip.